Blue Moon Rockets
instructions

step 1

glue

parts printed on 200 gsm cardstock

toothpick

X-Acto hobby knife

small metal rod

The small metal rod is just a curving tool: whenever you need to make a smooth curve rather than a sharp fold, you can "bend" the part around the metal rod. It also comes in handy when you need to reach inside a part and your fingers are too thick...

step 2

part 2

Cut out all the holes on part 1 then assemble it. Glue part 2 inside, to the back of the holes.

step 3

Cut out part 3 and fold the black parts double. Part of it needs to be curved.

step 4

part 3

You will know what part exactly when you glue it to the bottom of part 1.

step 5

Cut out and assemble part 4...

step 6

...and glue on the truck's cab.

step 7

part 6

part 5

Cut out parts 5 (fold and glue the black parts double again) and 6 and glue them to the truck's cab.

step 8

part 8   part 7

part 9

Cut out and assemble parts 7-9...

step 9

...then glue them together and to the truck's cab (right side).

step 10

Cut out part 10 (don't forget to cut out the hole!) and fold the black parts double again. This parts needs to be curved too, you will know how exactly when you glue it to part 4 (part of part 4 will stick through the hole: trim if necessary). The small flaps on the other end you can bend down at a 90° angle.

step 11

part 11

Cut out and assemble part 11, then "sandwich" the bottom glueing tabs between parts 12.

step 12

Cut out part 13 and push the axle (part 11) through the hole. DON'T glue part 11 to part 13, and DON'T close part 13 yet!

step 13

part 15   x3

Cut out part 14 (and all three holes) but again, don't close it yet: first cut out and assemble part 15 (don't forget the holes of course!) and glue it inside.

step 14

Still not closing part 14, slide these parts over the axle (if it doesn't fit, make the holes a little bigger, but whatever you do, DON'T use any glue yet) and fold back the glueing tabs on the axle: now you can use glue.

step 15

part 16

Glue on part 16, and finally close off part 14.

step 16

Close part 13 as well, then glue the parts to the backside of the truck.

step 17

Cut out and assemble parts 17-19 (on part 19, the colored side should go on the inside). Glue part 18 to the back of part 19, then push this black tube inside the tube made of part 17 (on the end that says "29.", which will be the front).

step 18

part 29
part 20
part 17

Repeat this three more times on parts 20-28, then cut out part 29: glue launch tubes 17 and 20 together, aligning the two white rectangles, and glue part 29 in between.

step 19

part 23   part 26

Glue on launch tubes 23 and 26, also with the white rectangles on the inside of course.

step 20

Now cut out part 30 and glue it to the back of the launch tubes. Then glue on parts 31.

step 21

Cut out part 32 and wrap it around the launch tubes: pre-shape (curve) it before glueing it on. Make sure the mountain folds at the sides are nice and sharp.

step 22

Do the same for part 33.

step 23

Next, glue part 34 into a small tube (roll it around a tootpick or something) and push it through the holes on part 14 (trim the holes if necessary, but not too much).

step 24

Use the two ends on part 33 to glue the launch tubes to this axle (part 34) so they can move up and down.

step 25

Now assemble and glue on the wheels (parts 35-40).

step 26

I'm afraid I kinda already glued all the parts of the little guy with the binoculars (41-57) together when I realized I forgot to take pictures of each building step... If you need instructions on how to build it/him, you can use the final steps in the instructions for the Blue Moon artillery (it's exactly the same little guy).

step 27

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Thank you for downloading and building a Ninjatoes' paper model!!